

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the claim amendments noted above, prior to examination of the application being filed concurrently herewith.

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-2, 4, 7, 11, 13-14, 17, 34, 38, 45, 48, 51, 53, 61, 62, 64, 66, 68 and 70 are pending; and claims 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 12, 15, 16, 18-33, 35-37, 39-44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 52, 54-60, 63, 65, 67, 69 and 71 have been canceled. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these canceled claims in a divisional application during the pendency of this application.

It is believed that the filing fees are to be calculated based on the claims as presented herein. Accordingly, a filing fee of \$400.00 is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is however hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



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